(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार उनके विरुद्ध कार्यवाही करने हेतु कोई कानून बनाने जा रही है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के. पी. सिंह देव) : (क) सरकार को ऐसे एक मामले की जानकारी है ।

(ख) और (ग) देश में केवल टेलीविजन नेटवर्कों का परिचालन केवल टेलीविजन (विनियम) अधिनियम, 1995 द्वारा विनियंत्रित होता है । इस अधिनियम की धारा 19 में विभिन्न आधारों पर लोक हित में किसी कार्यक्रम विशेष को प्रसारित न करने अथवा पुन: प्रसारित करने के बारे में राज्य सरकार द्वारा प्राधिकृत अधिकारी द्वारा केवल आपरेटरों को आदेश देने का प्रावधान है।

Radio and Television stations in North-Eastern States

7871. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places in North-Eastern States, State-wise having radio and TV stations alongwith their respecive dates of establishments; capacity and area covered, station-wise details thereof;

(b) the names of programmes broadcast|telecast in Hindi by said stations, station-wise and programme-wise details alongwith duration of such programmes;

(c) the names of programmes produced in Hindi by Guwahati and Dibrugarh Doordarshan Kendras, if any, since their inception, programme-wise and date-wise details; and

(d) whether Government propose any specific steps to cater to the needs of large Hindi-speaking population in Upper Assam who feel completely isolated due to almost no Radio|TV programmes in Hindi available to them and therefore compelled to switch over the cable TV; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Details are given in Annexure (*See* Appendix, Annexure No. 175)

(b) and (c) Details are given in Annexure (*See* Appendix. Annexure No. 176)

(d) The North-Eastern Service of AIR is broadcasting 45 per cent of its programmes in Hindi which cater to the listeners in all the seven North-Eastern States

Similarly, Hindi programmes telecast by Doordarshan on its national network are relayed by all the Doordarshan Kendras located in North-Eastern States.

Journalists Accompanying the President Prime Minister on Foreign visits

7872. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria/guidelines adopted by Government to select Pressmen/Journalists to accompany the President and the Prime Minister on their visits abroad;

(b) the names of Pressmen/Journalists who accompanied the Prime Minister during his last visit to United States alongwith names of newspapers represented by them;

(c) the names of Pressmen hailing from North-Eastern States who accompanied the Prime Minister in his visits abroad during last five years, visit-wise details;

(d) the names of newspapers, Pressmen/Correspondents from said

States against whom strictures have been passed by Press Council of India (PCI) during the last five years case-wise and date-wise details; and

(e) the names of newspapers Pressmen/Correspondents from said States against whom complaints are pending before PCI at present alongwith names of respective complainants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) The criterion of selection of Pressmen/Journalists for accompanying the President/Prime Minister on their visits abroad is to secure the best possible coverage for India's foreign policy initiatives and for the visits in particular. Weightage is given to newspapers which cover international affairs regularly. To the extent possible, due representation is given to regional language newspapers.

(b) Information is given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(c) Information is given in the enclosed Statement-II (See below).

(d) Information is given in the enclosed Statement-III (See below).

(e) Information is given in the enclosed Statement-IV.

Statement-I

Media Team accompanying the Prime Minister on visit to U.S.A. from May 14 to 21,1994

1.	PTI	Harihar Sarup
2.	UNI	T.V. Satyanarayanan
3.	ANI	Subash Chopra
4.	IANS	Tarun Basu
5.	ANI	Ravi Lekhi
6.	IFA	Ms. Poonam Kaushish
7.	IPA	O.P. Sabharwal
8.	BITV	Vivian Fernandes
9.	Economic Times	Swamnath an S.A. Aiyar
10.	Hindu	N. Ravi
11.	Hindustan Times	Ms. Kalyani Shankar
12.	Times of India	Dr. Manoj Joshi
13.	Statesmen	Raju Santhanam
14.	Hindustan	Satyavir Tyagi
15.	Jansatta	Hari Shankar Vayas
16.	India Today (Eng.)	Dilip Bobb
17.	Sunday Observer	Rajiv Shukla
18.	Sunday Mid-Day	Arvind V. Kulkarni
19.	Swatantra Bharat	Ghanshyam Pankaj
20.	Nai Dunia	Shahid Siddiqui
21.	Deccan Chronicle	S. Viswam
22.	Siasat	Zahid Ali Khan

23.	Udayam	Potturi Venkateshwar
24.	Prabhat	Ashish Kothari
25.	Jai Hind, Ahmedabad	Yashwant N. Saha
26.	Deccan Herald	Nitish Chakravarty
27.	Malayala Manorama	Sachidanand Murthy
28.	Navbharat (Hindi)	P.K. Maheshwari
29.	Sakal	Vijay V. Kuwalekar
30.	Nagpur Patrika	Ms. Kamini Bobde
31.	Inquilab (Urdu)	Ms. Malavika Sanghvi
32.	Chitralekha	Bharat K. Kapadia
33.	Prajatantra (Oriya)	Bhartruhari Mahtab
34.	The Tribune	Hari Jai Singh
35.	Punjab Kesari	Ashwini Kumar Minna
36.	Dainik Navjyoti (Jaipur)	D.B. Choudhary
37.	Dinamalar	R. Sathiamurthi
38.	AAJ (HINDI)	Satya Prakash Asim
39.	Anand Bazar Patrika	Suman Chattopadhya
40.	Meghalaya Guardian	G.L. Aggarwala
41.	Siyasat Jadeed. Urdu	Aijaz Ilmi
42.	Dainik Gunedoot Tripura	Sushil Chaudhry
43.	Dainik Jagaran, Kanpur	Narendra Mohan
44.	Gujrat Samachar	Nirman S Saha
45.	Free Lance	Shri Prem Shankar Jha
46.	Free lance	Shri S. Venkat Narain
47.	TV Asia	Rohait Vyas.

Statement-II

The Pressmen from North-East who accompanied the Prime Minister in his visits abroad during the last five years

Sl.No.	Name of Pressmen	Place visited	Date of visit)
A.		1990	
	Nil	.. ..	..
B.		1991	
1	N.Deka (Assam Tribune)	Germany	Sept. 5-7, 1991
2	Sushil Choudhary (Gonodooth, Tripura)	Germany	Sept. 5-7, 1991

1	2	3	4
C.		1992	
1	Sushil Chaudhry (Ganadoot)	USA & Swtizerland	Jan.30-Feb.4, 1992
2	Surajaya Hazarika (Natun Dainik)	Mauritius	March 11-12, 1992
3	Prem Dhar Sharma (Dainik Asom, Guwahati)	Brazil, Portugal & Spain	June 10-16, 1992
4	G.L. Aggarwal (North East Times, Guwahati)	France	Sept. 28-Oct., 1, 1992
D.		1993	
1	Vishwa Bandhu Gupta (Sun. (North-East)	China	Sept.6-11, 1993
E.		1994	
1	G.L. Aggarwala (Meghalaya Guardian)	U.S.A.	May 14-21, 1994
2	Sushil Chaudhry (Dainik Ganadoot)	U.S.A..	May 14-21, 1994

Statement-III

Names of newspapers, press-men /correspondents from North-Eastern States against whom strcitures have been passed by the Press Council of India during last five years i.e. from April, 1990 to March, 1995.

Sl.No.	Particulars	Strictures passed	Date of Stricture
1	Complaint of Shri M.A. Sattar, Director, Direcortate of, Infm. & Public Relations, Govt. of Manipur against Editor, Manipur News Daily.	Censured	5-11-90
2	Complaint of Shri M.A. Sattar, Director, Directorate of Infm. & Public Relations, Govt. of Manipur against the editor, Ching Tam, Daily,	Censured	5-11-90
3	Complaint of Shri D.N. Saikia, Deputy Secretary, Govt. of Assam against PTI	Media urged 5-11-90 to observe caution on sensitive matters. Complaint upheld.	
4	Complaint of Dr. Purna Naryan Sinha, President, North East Journalist Forum against 'Action Weekly' News Magazine Dispur.	Complaint upheld	23-9-1991
5	Complaint of Shri Bisweshwar Hazarika against the editor, Agardoot, Dispur.	Publication of rejoinder directed	9-9-92
6	Complaint of Shri H.N. Gohain, Professor of English, Guwahati University against Natun Dainik	Closed upon regret and with prescription of Guidelines on coverage of militants handouts.	9-9-92
7	Complaint of Shri Jogesh Chandra Sarma, Joint Director, Soil Con-ser-vation Deptt. Guwahati against 'Mahanagar' Guwahati.	Censured	6-1-93

Sl.No.	Particulars	Strictures passed	Date of Stricture
8	Complaint of Shri M.L. Devnath, Mark Pharmaceuticals, Agartala, against a local daily 'Dainik Sambad' Agartala.	Publication of rejoinder directed	6-1-93
9	Complaint of Prof Homeshwar Kokati, Lecturer of Physics, B. Barooh College, Guwahati against North East Times.	Censured	6-1-93
10	Complaint of Shri S.P. Gupta, Acting C&MD,Bangaigoan Refinery & Petro chemicals Ltd., Assam against The News Front of Guwahati.	Publication of rejoinder directed	6-1-93
11	Complaint of Dr. Gajendra Nath Kalita, Superintendent, Tezpur Civil Hospital Tezpur against The Assam Tribune, Guwahati.	Displeasure conveyed	30-6-93
12	Complaint of Dr. Gajendra Nath Kalita, Superintendent, Tezpur Civil Hospital, Tezpur against The Sentinel.	Do.	30-6-93
13	Complaint of Dr. Gajendra Nath Kalita, Superintendent, Tezpur Civil Hospital, Tezpur against 'Ajir Batori'.	Do.	30-6-93
14	Complaint of Dr. Gajendra Nath Kalita, Superintendent, Tezpur Civil Hospital, Tezpur against North East Times.	Do.	30-6-93
15	Complaint of Dr. Gajendra nath Kalita, Superintendent, Tezpur, Civil Hospital, Tezpur against Purbanchal Prahari.	Do.	30-6-93
16	Complaint of Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Home (B) Deptt. Dispur against 'Budhbar' an Assemese Weekly of Guwahati.	Censured	24-1-94
17	Complaint of Sh. P.C. Paul, Under Secy., Govt. of Assam Home (B) Deptt. Dispur against Budhbar, an Assamese weekly of Guwahati.	Warned	24-1-94
18	Complaint of Dy. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam (Home) Dispur, against Budhbar, Assamese Weekly, Guwahati.	Warned	28-3-94
19	Complaint of Government of Assam through the Under Secretary, Home Department of the State against 'Dainik Sonar Cachar' Bengali daily.	Warned	1-8-94
20	Complaint of Ms. Dil Kumari Bhandari M.P. (Lok Sabha) against 'Adhibakta' Nepali Newspaper in Sikkim.	Censured	10-10-94

Statement IV

List of Complaints pending before PCI pertaining to North-East Region as on 19.05.1995.

(1) Complaint of Deputy Secretary to the Government of Assam, Home (B) Department, Govt of Assam, Dispur against Editor, Sadin, Assamese Weekly, Gauhati.

(2) Complaint of Deputy Secretary to Government of Assam, Home (P) Department, Dispur, Gauhati against the Editor, Boodhbar, Assamese Weekly, Gauhati.

(3) Complaint of Shri N. K. Debbarma, General Secretary, Tripura Tribal Employees Association, Krishnanagar, Agartala, West Tripura against Editor, Danik Sambad, Jaganath Bari Road, Agartala Tripura.

(4) Complaint of Shri N. K. Debbarma, General Secretary, Tripura Tribal Employess Association, Krish-

nanagar, Agartala, Tripura against the Editor, The Syandan Patrika, Agartala, Tripura.

(5) Complaint of Shri Sayeedullah Mongrum, M.L.A., General Secretary, The Shillong Muslim Union, Bishnupur, Shillong against the Editor, Agardoot, Assamese Bi-Weekly, Dispur Gauhati.

(6) Complaint of Shri T. C. K. Lotha, Chief Secretary to Govt. of Nagaland, Kohima against Nagaland Post.

(7) Complaint of Shri T. C. K. Lotha, Chief Secretary to Govt. of Nagaland, against Hill Express.

(8) Complaint of Shri T. C. K. Lotha, Chief Secretary to Govt. of Nagaland against the Nagaland Journal.

(9) Complaint of Shri Sudhir Rangan, M.P. (Rajya Sabha), N. Delhi against the Editor, Dainik Desher Katha, Agartala.

(10) Shri Bidhan Purkayastha, Editor, Cachar Times(Silchar, Assam against the Editor, Sonar Cachar, Assamese Daily Silchar.

(11) Complaint of Shri Atul C. Marak, Hon'ble GAD Minister, Govt of Meghalaya, Distt. W. Gargo Hills, Meghalaya against the Editor, The Meghalaya Gaurdian, Shillong.

Criteria for approval of serials

7873 SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION & BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria laid down for the approval of Doordarshan serials;

(b) whether there is any serial Review Committee to review the rejected serials;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of serials which were rejected at first but were later accepted when resubmitted to the Serial Review Committee during 1993 and 1994?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) The broad selection criteria for serials are as follows:

(i) Story-line and its contemporary relevance;

((ii) Treatment of theme;

(iii) Overall competence of the technical crew; and

(iv) relevance to Doordarshan's programme requirements.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The guidelines under Doordarshan's New Sponsorship Scheme provided for the appeals of producers whose proposals had been rejected being examined by a review committee consisting of the Director General, Doordarshan and at least three non-official experts (other than the non-official experts who had considered the proposal earlier) from the penal maintained by Doordarshan.

(d) Doordarshan did not receive an appeal for reconsideration of any of the 3095 proposals rejected by the Selection Committee under the said scheme.

Counter-guarantee in Dhabol Power Project

7874. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank was not in favour of giving counter-guarantee to foreign private investor in Dabhol project in Maharashtra;